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| FORM PTO-1500 (Modified)<br>(REV. 11-2000)   | U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE<br><b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES</b><br><b>DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)</b><br><b>CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b> | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER<br><b>APV31690</b><br>U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN, SEE 37 CFR 101/501989) |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br><b>PCT/NL02/00659</b>   | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE<br><b>17 October 2002</b>  | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED<br><b>17 Oct 01, 30 Sept 02</b>   |
| TITLE OF INVENTION<br><b>METHOD FOR PRODUCING A CONTAINER FOR A PRESSURIZED FLUID, AND CONTAINER OF THIS TYPE</b>  |  |   |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US<br><b>Maurice Gerardus Maria VEN GIEZEN</b>  |  |   |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:  |  |   |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2))           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).</li> <li>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).</li> <li>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).</li> </ol> |  |   |
| Items 13 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:  |  |   |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <b>FIRST</b> preliminary amendment.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> preliminary amendment.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.</li> <li>20. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>21. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>22. <input type="checkbox"/> Express Mail Label No.</li> <li>23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:</li> </ol>  |  |   |
| Cover Sheet of WO 03/033186<br>Claim for Priority  |  |   |

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| U.S. APPLICATION NO. <b>107501989</b><br>INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/NL02/00659</b> | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER<br><b>APV31690</b> |
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The following fees are submitted.

**BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5)) :**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... | \$1080.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO .....  | \$920.00  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO .....   | \$770.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) .....   | \$730.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) .....   | \$100.00  |

**ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =**

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| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (c)). | 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <b>\$130.00</b> |
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| CLAIMS             | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE      |                |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|
| Total claims       | 21 - 20 =    | 1            | x \$18.00 | <b>\$18.00</b> |
| Independent claims | 1 - 3 =      | 0            | x \$86.00 | <b>\$0.00</b>  |
|                    |              |              |           | <b>\$0.00</b>  |

Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) ☐ **\$1,068.00**

**TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2. | <b>\$0.00</b> |
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| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (f)). | 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <b>\$0.00</b> |
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| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31) (check if applicable). | <input type="checkbox"/> | <b>\$0.00</b> |
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- a. ☒ A check in the amount of **\$1,068.00** to cover the above fees is enclosed.
- b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees.
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**NOTE:** Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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**THE APPLICANT HEREBY REQUESTS THAT THE PTO TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR RESPONSE AS REQUIRED TO MAKE THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT TIMELY FILED. PLEASE CHARGE THE COST THEREOF TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 19-4375**

DATE  
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The Patent and Trademark Office Official Filing Date Stamp Hereon is Acknowledgment of Filing:

New National Phase Patent Application with Transmittal; 12 pages of Spec.; 3 sheet of Drawings; 21 Claims; Abstract; Preliminary Amendment; Claim for Priority; IDS w/ PTO-1449 and references; International Search Report; cover sheet of WO 03/033186; copy of International application as filed; International Preliminary Examination Report with annexes; Check No. 40171 for \$1068.00

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